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**Carlsbad Cultural Arts Office awards grants for arts events and activities**

The City of Carlsbad Arts Commission has completed the selection of recipients for the 2013 Community Arts Grants. The Community Arts Grants program, now in its 28th year, provides cultural opportunities for Carlsbad residents and strengthens local arts organizations through matching grants that cover part of the cost of projects taking place in Carlsbad. Eighteen non-profit organizations and schools will share \$25,000 for activities taking place in 2013. On Dec. 13, the Carlsbad Arts Commission approved recommendations made by a peer review panel of local arts professionals and community representatives. For information on the grant program, please contact the Carlsbad Cultural Arts Office at 760-434-2920.

Organizations and Partnerships category: Five grants were made, ranging from \$750 to \$4,125.

Carlsbad-Oceanside Art League: \$750

Support for ten professional artist workshops in Carlsbad which are open to members and to the public.

Mainly Mozart: \$1,925

Support for the three-concert chamber music Spotlight Series at St. Elizabeth Seaton Church.

Museum of Making Music: \$2,200

Support for Global Spotlight Concert Series of six performances complementing and highlighting new multicultural exhibition components at the Museum.

New Village Arts: \$4,125

Support for 2013 production season with seven main stage productions, an ongoing music series, two New Play workshops, an educational program and the Art Foundry for visual artists.

Patrons of the Arts Foundation/Carlsbad Community Theatre: \$3,500

Support for multiple performances of two youth productions, one family production and five workshops.

Arts Education category: Thirteen grants of \$765 to \$1,200 were awarded for activities within the schools that contain a performance, exhibition or presentation open to public attendance.

Carlsbad Educational Foundation: \$1,140

Support for art instruction services at district-wide Kids' Care after-school program.

Carlsbad High School Band Boosters: \$1,140

Support for four guest artists, instrumental coaches, particularly for students in the Wind Symphony.

Carlsbad High School Choral Boosters: \$875

Support for a guest artist residency in choreography for students in two show choirs.

Carlsbad High School Drama Club: \$1,200

Support for guest choreographer-in-residence for the musical theatre production in Spring 2013.

Carlsbad High School Speech and Debate Team: \$875

Support for specialized textbooks and materials for the Interpretation students.

Calavera Hills Elementary School: \$875

Support for four "Meet the Masters" visual art programs for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students in spring 2013.

Jefferson Elementary School: \$990

Support for the Jefferson Elementary Choir program, which provides free choral instruction to 3rd through 5th grade students.

La Costa Canyon High school Dance Program: \$765

Support for two workshops with guest choreographers in Spring and Fall 2013.

La Costa Canyon High School Theatre Program: \$1,140

Support for guest vocal coach/pianist for Chicago, musical theatre production in Spring 2013.

La Costa Canyon High School Jazz Band: \$875

Support for guest music coach/director for members of the LCC Jazz Band.

Montessori Arts and Sciences: \$875

Support for an intensive playwriting and theatre performance project.

St. Patrick School: \$875

Support for artist-led "Write On!" playwriting residency with 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students in spring semester 2013.

Valley Middle School: \$875

Support for choreography instruction for members of 3 school show choirs in Spring and Fall semesters of 2013.

ADVISORY TO MEDIA: The Community Arts Coordinator can provide more information on individual grant projects for follow-up reporting. Call 760/434-2920 or email [Colleen.Finnegan@carlsbadca.gov](mailto:Colleen.Finnegan@carlsbadca.gov)

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